

**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): COLLAPSIBLE PROTECTIVE COVER

By (Inventors): David A. Arias

- A Specification (27 total pages) is attached.
- Formal drawings (Figs. 1-22; 21 sheets) are attached.
- A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
- An assignment of the invention from the Inventor to SWIMWAYS CORP. is filed herewith (with accompanying cover sheet and Check No. 191891 in the amount of \$40.00 to cover the assignment recordation fee).
- An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
- A statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is filed herewith.
- A Non-Publication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) is filed herewith.
- A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
- A Return Receipt Postcard is attached.
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**SMALL ENTITY**

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x 9 =	\$ 99
x 43 =	\$ 0
+140 =	\$
TOTAL	\$ 484

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OR	x 18	\$
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- This application is entitled to small entity status. DO NOT charge large entity fees to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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David A. Arias

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UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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Signature of Inventor

David A. Arias  
Typed or Printed Name of Inventor

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

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